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18. A cutting element as recited in claim 16 wherein the entire periphery line extends along a plane.

19. A cutting element as recited in claim 16 wherein the periphery line is non-linear.

- 20. A cutting element as recited in claim 16 wherein the ultra hard material layer comprises an exposed upper surface.
- 21. A cutting element as recited in claim 16 wherein the nonplanar portion is formed on the canted portion.
- 22. A cutting element as recited in claim 16 wherein the non-planar portion is formed on the uncanted portion.

REMARKS

In response to the Restriction Requirement issued on November 19, 2002, claims 1-8 have been canceled and claims 9 and 17 have been amended for clarity.

Moreover, applicant elects to continue prosecution with Invention II, namely, claims 9-22 as now amended.

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In the Claims:

Amend claims 9 and 17 as follows:

9. (Amended) A cutting element comprising:

a hard material body having an end surface and a periphery defining a circumference, the end surface comprising a canted portion extending to the periphery and an uncanted portion extending to the periphery, wherein the canted portion intersects the periphery along a periphery line, and wherein the periphery line continuously extends around more than half of the [periphery] circumference; and

an ultra hard material layer formed over the end surface having an exposed upper surface.

17. (Amended) A cutting element as recited in claim 16 wherein the periphery line continuously extends around more than half of the [periphery] circumference.

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